

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Pneumatic~~ A pneumatic power tool, comprising a housing ~~(10)~~, a motor, a pressure air inlet passage ~~(11,15)~~ and an exhaust air outlet passage ~~(12,17)~~, and an adjustable exhaust air outlet deflector ~~(14)~~ rotatably supported on said housing ~~(10)~~ wherein said outlet deflector ~~(14)~~ comprises:

a cup-shaped outlet piece ~~(20)~~ having at least one radially directed outlet opening ~~(25)~~, and at least one ~~or more~~ axially directed outlet ~~openings (26)~~ opening arranged in a certain pattern; and ~~[[,]]~~

a valve element ~~(21)~~ which is rotatably supported in a co-axial relationship with said outlet piece ~~(20)~~, and which has at least said valve element (21) has one ~~or more~~ axially directed ~~apertures (20)~~ aperture arranged in a pattern congruent with said certain pattern of said at least one axially directed outlet opening ~~or openings (26)~~ of said outlet piece ~~(20)~~, and at least one radially directed aperture ~~(30)~~ to be selectively brought into alignment with said at least one radially directed outlet opening ~~(25)~~ of said outlet piece; ~~(20)~~,

wherein said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element ~~(21)~~ are rotatable relative to each other between:

25 a first relative position ~~wherein at which~~ said at
least one axially directed aperture ~~or apertures (20)~~ of
said valve element ~~(21)~~ coincide coincides fully with said
at least one axially directed outlet opening ~~or openings~~
~~(26)~~ of said outlet piece ~~(20)~~, and at which said at least
one radially directed aperture ~~(30)~~ of said valve element
~~(21)~~ does not at all coincide with said at least
30 one radially directed outlet opening ~~or openings (25)~~ of
said outlet piece ~~(20)~~, such that the outlet deflector
directs outlet flow of exhaust air axially through the
coinciding at least one axially directed aperture and at
least one axially directed outlet opening; and

35 a second relative position ~~wherein at which~~ said at
least one radially directed aperture ~~(30)~~ of said valve
element ~~(21)~~ coincides fully with said at least one radially
directed outlet opening ~~or openings (25)~~ of said outlet
piece ~~(20)~~, and at which said at least one axially directed
aperture ~~or apertures (20)~~ of said valve element ~~(21)~~ do
40 does not at all coincide with said at least one axially
directed outlet opening ~~or openings (26)~~ of said outlet
piece, such that the outlet deflector directs the outlet
flow of the exhaust air radially through the coinciding at
least one radially directed aperture and at least one
45 radially directed outlet opening (20).

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Power~~ The power tool according to claim 1, wherein said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element ~~(21)~~ are axially displaceable relative to the housing ~~(10)~~, and a spring ~~(24)~~ is arranged to bias said valve element ~~(21)~~ against said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ so as to frictionally couple said valve element ~~(21)~~ relative to said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ ~~for accomplishing to enable~~ joint rotation of said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element ~~(21)~~ for adjusting ~~the an~~ exhaust flow outlet direction from the outlet deflector ~~(14)~~ in said second relative position;
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wherein a coupling ~~device (35,36) mechanism~~ is provided between said valve element ~~(21)~~ and the housing ~~(10)~~ for positively locking said valve element ~~(21)~~ against rotation ~~as when~~ said valve element ~~(21)~~ is displaced axially ~~toward against~~ the housing ~~(10)~~ by said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ against ~~the a~~ bias force of said spring ~~(24)~~, thereby enabling said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ to be rotated relative to said valve element ~~(21)~~ between said first relative position and said second relative position, despite the frictional coupling between said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element ~~(21)~~.
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3. (Currently Amended) ~~Power~~ The power tool according to claim 1, wherein said air inlet passage ~~(11,15)~~ comprises an

inlet socket ~~(15)~~ secured to the housing ~~(10)~~ and extending
co-axially through said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element
5 ~~(21)~~, and an annular shoulder ~~(22)~~ on said inlet socket ~~(15)~~
forms an axial bearing surface for said outlet piece ~~(20)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Power~~ The power tool according to
claim 3, wherein said valve element ~~(21)~~ is located inside said
outlet piece ~~(20)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Power~~ The power tool according to
claim 2, wherein said air inlet passage ~~(11,15)~~ comprises an
inlet socket ~~(15)~~ secured to the housing ~~(10)~~ and extending
co-axially through said outlet piece ~~(20)~~ and said valve element
5 ~~(21)~~, and an annular shoulder ~~(22)~~ on said inlet socket ~~(15)~~
forms an axial bearing surface for said outlet piece ~~(20)~~.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Power~~ The power tool according to
claim 5, wherein said valve element ~~(21)~~ is located inside said
outlet piece ~~(20)~~.